

HARRY ISSUES
STATEMENT

EDWARDS
SUES FOR
DIVORCE

Mrs. Ethel Hunter Fairbanks of Boston, looking and employed in the court department of a downtown department store, has been sued for divorce by Arthur E. Fairbanks, a Worcester insurance man. The husband filed his divorce suit in Worcester along with a \$7,500 suit for the alleged alighting of the effects of his wife against H. H. Rowe, a mechanical draftsman of Worcester.

Wife Makes Denial.
Mrs. Fairbanks declared today that her husband's accusations are unfounded and that she will fight the suit to a "suitable finish." The accused wife told of a dramatic incident in a Tremont street cafe where her husband "burst in" on her one day while she was dining with a friend.

In his suit Fairbanks refers to an "unknown" man. The mystery of the identity of the "unknown" figure in the case has made the interest of the people's friends all the keener. Fairbanks says that the "unknown" is a Boston man prominent in the printing business.

The divorce suit marks the end of the romantic courtship and wedding of the couple. The wife was Mrs. Mabel Edwards and while attending the Westboro High School she met Fairbanks at a camp at Lake Watohash, in Woodville, near Worcester. Their friends said it was a case of love at first sight.

Mrs. Fairbanks, when she heard today that her husband alleged she rented a "suite" of rooms on Columbus avenue where, he says, the "unknown" visited her, declared that it wasn't a suite at all, but a "mere ballroom affair." She declared that when the "unknown" called other persons were always present.

Dined With Unknown.
"My answer told me that there was no harm in my accepting an escort to dinner or to the theatre," said Mrs. Fairbanks. "On no several occasions I accepted invitations from a friend of mine, who my husband calls the 'unknown.' More than once while in a cafe I have paid for my own meal."

"If my husband thinks for a moment that I will let him get away with his charges, he is mistaken. I am in a position to refute all his accusations. When we were married in 1906 in Hopkinton and resided in Westboro until three years ago, when Mrs. Fairbanks secured employment in Worcester, she lived along well, and one day, he said to me, 'Ethel, I've been trying to get you for ten years, and I'll get you yet.' And I told him that I would depend on whether he did, he might as well give up all hope of doing so."

"When we went to Worcester, Mr. Fairbanks told me that he was getting \$50 a week, but I assure you, neither he nor I saw any money at all. Although he never provided for me as he should, I stuck to him until he deserted me on November 1, 1911."

It was in Same Set.
"He deserted at the time that Mr. Rowe was the cause of my trouble. Mr. Rowe was no more a friend of mine than of my husband's. He belonged to the same crowd we did, and he had been anything more than friendly between him and me."

"But Mr. Fairbanks thought differently, and one day, when I went to our home in Westboro, I found the entire furniture, even the doors of the stove, had been taken away by my husband by Mr. J. H. Hartman Fairbanks, Jr., was taken away by his father and he will in no season. And, later, Mr. Fairbanks has refused to let me see my children."

"I have every reason for a suit for divorce on the grounds of desertion, but I will not press the case."

MRS. ETHEL HUNTER FAIRBANKS, who is sued for divorce, her husband naming a Worcester man in \$7,500 action for alienation.



WOMEN GOLFERS OPEN TOURNEY AT COUNTRY CLUB
Play started this morning for the Clyde Park challenge cup for women over the difficult Country Club course in Brookline. A good stand field comprised, including Miss Margaret Curtis the present national women champion and her sister, Miss Harriet R. Curtis, a former holder of national honors.

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IDEAS OF
MARTIAL GRIP, SAYS
WASHBURN

Renewing his fight against the Republican machine leaders of the House, Representative Robert M. Washburn of Worcester, leader of the bill to enlarge the powers and membership of the Railroad Commission, today said the fact that the Republican House leaders are playing in with the railroad lobby, "which is fighting his bill."

What Washburn Says.
Representative Washburn, who wants the Ways and Means Committee to report the bill to the House without delay, said:

"I charge that the committee is giving the railroad lobby by delays in acting on this measure. The railroad lobby wants to delay the bill until it has had time to bolster the financial position in the bill, which I oppose, and which I believe would endanger the passage of the measure."

Expected Battle Today.
An order issued by Washburn directing the Ways and Means Committee to report forthwith on his bill is the latest move in the fight to enlarge the powers and membership of the Railroad Commission.

WARM WEATHER COMING IN EAST
WASHINGTON, May 5.—Warm weather in the East is forecasted in the Weather Bureau's Weekly Bulletin, which indicates that during the week temperatures will average above the normal range of the Middle West. The weather will be generally clear and warm the first part of the week in the Eastern States, followed by unsettled weather by Wednesday and relief thereafter.

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HOLD MAN ON ABDUCTION CHARGE
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Turn to the Right
And read the Classified Advertising in today's AMERICAN. They are RIGHT in more ways than one. MISS AD TAKER.

MRS. DENNIS F. HEALY, formerly Grace Hartnett, singer, who became bride in moving picture romance.



Motion Picture Performers Elope in Song Romance
A romance of a youth, who gave up a business career for the stage of moving picture theatre so that he could sing love songs to the girl contrary with whom he had fallen in love, came to light today in the announcement of the marriage of Miss Grace F. Hartnett, a pretty Boston belle, and Dennis F. Healy, formerly of New York. The wedding took place in New York last night after a courtship in which the young man had been singing love songs to the girl in the "nightingale" of the moving picture theatre.

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EVEL
FIGHT
FOR 'HEIR'

NEW YORK, May 5.—Harry Kroll, then, slayer of Stanford White, has been a written denial of the claim of Edwin Austin Town, his wife, that the two and one-half year old son, Russell, whom she calls "Tom Tom," is a son of her. This statement comes from Mattew State Hospital.

These wife, who is now on the verge of the case in Europe, told the boy's story to the newspapers just before she fled. The boy is with her and is a son of hers. Mrs. Town declared that she will fight for a share of the boy's fortune for her baby.

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THE AMERICAN'S DAILY PAGE OF FUN

The Dingbat Family

If That Goose Had Honked

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By Herriman

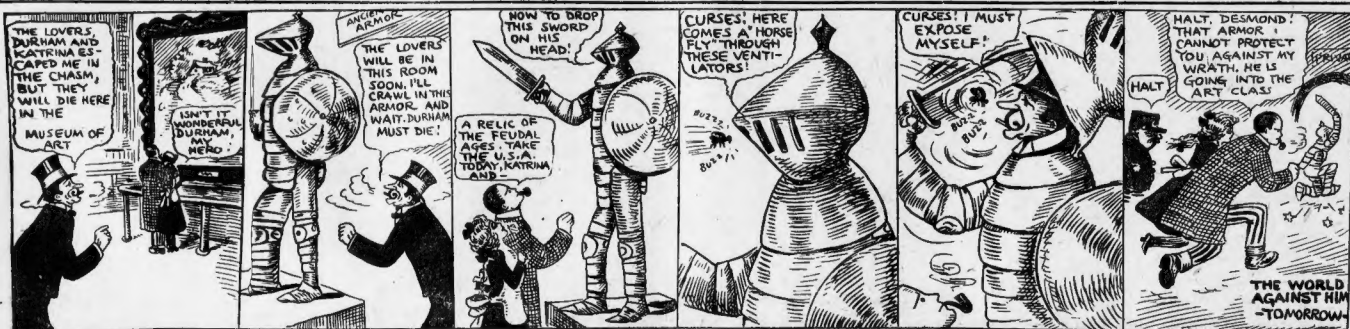


Dauntless Duram of the U. S. A.

"Swat the Fly" is a Great Slogan, But Desmond Doesn't Believe in It Any More

By Hershfield

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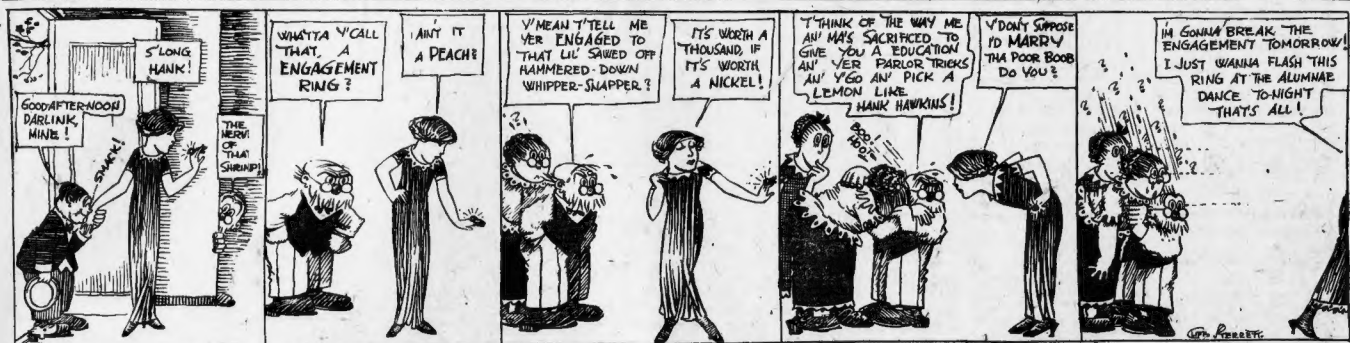


Polly and Her Pals

An Engagement Ring Isn't an Engagement

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Us Boys

Shrimp Flynn Is Sure an All-Round Manager

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By Tom McNamara



\$2.00 Comforters—Full bed size, covered with fine quality alpine and lined with white carded cotton, each **\$1.50**

\$6.50 Silk Top Comforters—Top covered with fine quality Cheney silk, feet's floral patterns, light, dainty colorings, and 9-inch plain color silk border, each **\$4.98**

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LARGEST CIRCULATION IN NEW ENGLAND,
DAILY AND SUNDAY

A Campaign Which Might Have Justified President Wilson's Gallery Play

If Mr. Wilson has decided upon the Federalist policy of Presidential interference in purely State matters it is singular that he should have waited so long before returning to campaign in his own State of New Jersey. There are some things for which Mr. Wilson was responsible when he was Governor of New Jersey that would fully have justified an attempt on his part to remedy after he became President of the United States.

There are some acts which he committed while in authority in New Jersey that he might properly have endeavored to reverse either through his authority at Washington or through personal participation in the politics of New Jersey.

New Jersey is a State of level railroad crossings, and every year a toll of death has been taken by the railroad corporations who would rather sacrifice human life than pay the cost necessary to make these crossings safe.

When Mr. Wilson ran for Governor of New Jersey he was pledged to correct the conditions which caused this yearly toll of death and to compel the railroads to make their crossings safe.

In accordance with the party's pledges, the Legislature of New Jersey passed a bill compelling the railroads either to elevate or to depress their crossings, so that travelers by road, on foot, in wagons or in automobiles, could pass without this constant risk of destruction.

But the national convention was approaching, and Mr. Wilson apparently desired the support of the powerful railroads that passed through New Jersey in his campaign for the Presidential nomination.

The bill that the Legislature had prepared in the interest of the safety of the public was not an unjust bill. It was not a stringent bill. It was not even a radical bill. It compelled the railroads to make safe only a small proportion of the crossings every year. It inflicted no hardship upon the railroads. It called for no immediate and exhaustive expenditure. IT MERELY PROVIDED THAT MURDER SHOULD NO LONGER BE PERMITTED IN ORDER THAT THE RAILROADS COULD SAVE MONEY.

But Mr. Wilson vetoed the bill, and out of the veto message, in full view of the astonished legislators, fell a note from Robert W. De Forest, the railroad attorney, advising Mr. Wilson how to set in the best interests of the railroads.

After the veto of the bill the New Jersey Central, the Lackawanna, the Lehigh Valley, the Erie and the Pennsylvania Railroads became peculiarly enthusiastic and active in Mr. Wilson's support, and A. Mitchell Palmer, the attorney for the Pennsylvania Railroad, led the railroad forces in the Baltimore convention in support of Mr. Wilson, and with the aid of "Tom" Taggart, the gambling boss of Indiana, and Roger Sullivan, the corrupt corporation boss of Illinois, nominated Mr. Wilson on the Democratic ticket for President of the United States.

Mr. Wilson has been elected President, and since the 5th of November, 1912, he need no longer have considered the interests of the railroads in preference to the rights and lives of the people.

Yet Mr. Wilson did not return to New Jersey in time to participate in the campaign which has lately been successfully carried on to eliminate the numerous railroad crossings. That object was successfully achieved without the influence or the attendance of Mr. Wilson, and a Democratic Legislature and a Democratic Governor passed and signed and wrote upon the statute books of New Jersey the law controlling the railroad companies and protecting the people, which Mr. Wilson, as Governor of New Jersey, had vetoed.

Between the time of Mr. Wilson's veto of the bill which would have stopped these railway crossing murders and the present day, FIFTY-TWO persons have been killed and NINETY-NINE mutilated at these level railway crossings in New Jersey.

The lives of these men and women and helpless children will seem to many citizens rather a high price to pay even for a nomination for the Presidency of the United States, and an endeavor to correct this murderous evil would have appeared to true Democrats about the only justification for a President's active interference in a State's politics.

Intelligent and conscientious citizens—even though State's Rights Democrats—would have fully understood and condoned an impulse on the part of Mr. Wilson to atonement and expiation in the matter of these railroad murders.

But if Mr. Wilson's purpose is merely to oppose bosses, these same intelligent citizens will wonder why he does not begin with a campaign against the notorious "Tom" Taggart, the gambling boss of Indiana, or a crusade against "Jolly Roger" Sullivan, the corrupt corporation boss of Illinois.

THE MUNITIONS OF WAR

By JAMES J. MONTAGUE

(President Mellon of the New Haven says he has been investing his stock earnings in company contributions.)

I HELD some West Rhode Island stock, and with serene content

I gathered in as dividends my yearly eight per cent.

And then one year they dropped to six, and then grew still more small,

And then I found, one dismal day, they didn't pay at all.

And when I asked the president the reason to explain,

He gazed at me for a space, then growled with deep disdain:

"The O. O. F. got into me for eighty thousand cash,

The Democrats will sell my sins unless I make a flask;

And poor T. R. will not get far unless we make his bet,

And now I've got to dip a lot to help the suffragettes."

Excuse me! I must hasten now to put my clothes in back,

To meet the next assessments on that West Rhode Island stock.

I only have a share or two, but parties multiply

Like rabbits, and their yearly post grows steadily more high.

And if I dare to estimate the upkeep of those shares,

The president stands over me and murmurs, while he swears:

"The Socialists reach out their fists for contributions now,

The "nuts" and "dregs" have both got size and want a hundred thousand;

The railroad game is not the same as once it used to be,

So simply run to ruin, the men I keep the nation free."

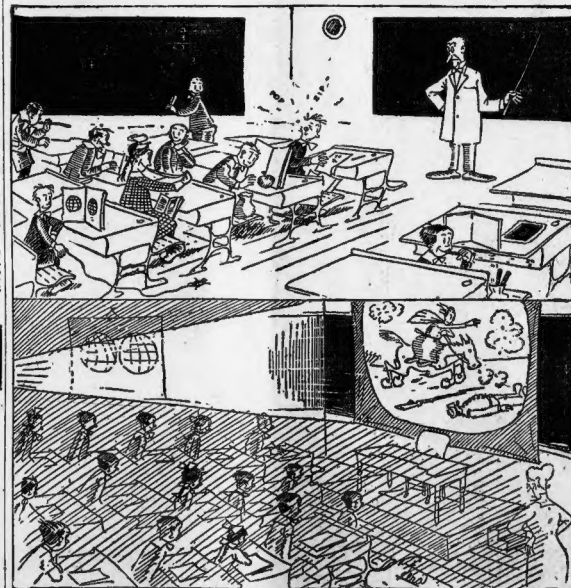
Touchin' on and Appertainin' to Advice

By T. E. POWERS

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Before the Movies Came to School



BISHOP FALLOWS TELLS OF WONDERS WROUGHT BY THE UNITED STATES IN THE PHILIPPINES—"The record of accomplishments," he says, "sounds like a tale from the Arabian Nights, but it is the sober truth."—See next Sunday's AMERICAN.

The Chinese Republic "Recognized" at Last

After eighteen months of dragging, promises, postponements and heart-breaking delays the republican government of China has been actually sighted from Washington and its existence "recognized."

It is to be feared that the acknowledgment has come too late to yield any commercial advantage to the United States. America would naturally have gained both a moral and an economic prestige in China if America had generally LENT ITS POLITICAL CREDIT to the struggling Republic at the time when the Republic MOST NEEDED TO BE BELIEVED IN.

It is hard to establish free and representative institutions in a nation that has lived for ages under an arbitrary rule. It is hard to efface the traditions of many generations and to begin the making of new traditions. China needed our countenance and moral support in its arduous endeavor, and it STRETCHED OUT ITS HANDS TO US—to the first and greatest of modern republics—for help. It needed to be fortified by our faith in the practicability of republican rule during the long period of the shaping and substantiating of its new form and policy.

But China plead with Mr. Taft IN VAIN. Mr. Knox had no faith in republics—none, at least, to spare. America waited month after month, side by side, with the jealous and cynical monarchies of Europe and Asia. America denied the existence of the great Oriental free State UNTIL ITS EXISTENCE BECAME UNDENIABLE.

Since we were so reluctant to lend our political credit, China is likely to borrow its financial credit elsewhere and to seek industrial leadership from Europeans rather than from Americans.

The deferred promise and the two months' delay of the present administration at Washington have served as an indorsement of the delay of the former administration.

For the last year and a half the Hearst newspapers have hardly suffered a month to go by without a fresh effort to stir the government at Washington to do justice to China—and to reap the reward of those who, in the great affairs of world politics, are brave enough to cast their bread upon the waters.

As far back as November 16, 1911, was printed an appeal from Wu Ting-fang, then Director of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of China, appealing through Mr. Hearst, as a "steadfast lover of liberty," to transmit the new republic's request for recognition to the civilized world.

As the case stands, the government at Washington deserves NETTLE PRAISE for its tardy justice NOT REWARD for its feeble faith.

Whatever political and commercial influence America shall exert in the building of the gigantic new commonwealth on the other side of the world will be primarily due to the FAITH AND ENTERPRISE of private American citizens.

Nevertheless, it is to be hoped that President Wilson will not fail to give prompt assistance to those who hesitate to undertake American enterprises in China that their investments in that country WILL NOT LACK PROTECTION from the State Department.

From the days of the Barbary pirates our government has always upheld the rights of American citizens in their foreign ventures. There is no earthly reason why this traditional policy should be changed now.

More Flies Than Ever This Season Because of the Mild Winter

More Living Flies Mean More DEAD Children.

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When you see ONE fly at this time of year, you see the mother or father of hundreds of thousands of flies.

And when you kill that one fly early in the season, you kill vast swarms of the pests unborn.

No well-informed man or woman needs to be told how flies spread disease. They seek the vilest filth to deposit their eggs, they light with their spongy feet upon decaying matter of all kinds. The disease germs stick to the flies' feet—and the fly, having laid its eggs and provided for the next generation of flies, hurries to your sugar bowl, or to your child's face, and spreads the germs of disease wherever he goes.

The mild Winter makes this a most dangerous year for flies.

The crop of this year depends upon the number that have escaped death through the cold, and this Spring the number that will start the Summer crop is ten times as great as usual.

There is no task more important than wiping out disease—and dangerous disease comes from the tiny germs of which flies are the carriers. If the flies were destroyed, the germs of disease would not be carried to the faces of sleeping children, or to the food that is eaten. To kill flies alone and banish them from the country would do more to save life than any ONE thing that intelligent human beings could accomplish now.

You know what wonderful work the government did at Panama, in New Orleans, in Cuba, and elsewhere, driving out yellow fever, simply by destroying mosquitoes. No man can possibly get yellow fever unless he is bitten by a mosquito carrying the yellow fever germ.

When the breeding grounds of the mosquitoes were covered up and the mosquitoes destroyed, yellow fever disappeared at once.

Government eventually will fill in marshes and thus wipe out the mosquito as effectively as wolves and rattlesnakes have been wiped out. Human beings acting collectively can do for the flies what the government will do for the mosquitoes—and the main thing is that each should do his share. Screen your windows, kill the early flies and teach your children to kill them.

KILL THE FLIES AND SAVE THE CHILDREN.

The world is too much with us; late and soon,
Getting and spending, we lay waste our powers;
Little we see in Nature that is ours.
WORDS WORTH.